

The consolidation of Media MUST STOP!

Prior to now, I would not have been so adamantly against corporate mergers, but I, like all Americans, have seen the devastating effects of corporate mergers in the Media. After we have witnessed the Pro-Bush, Pro-War propaganda rampant in the American Television media – after we have witnessed the censorship and suppression of the opposition message – it has become abundantly clear that America no longer has an unbiased television news media.

I am a supporter of capitalism and free-trade, yet to maintain a healthy system, checks and balances MUST be existence. The needs of the employer AND employee – the needs of consumers AND suppliers – the needs of corporations and the needs of the American people MUST be balanced.

The further removal of restrictions on the Media corporations will further negatively effect that balance.

American freedom, liberty and civil rights will suffer under de-regulation of corporate media.

The Media MUST remain free, equal and unbiased as possible. Mr. Powell's "hands-off" policy of regulating the communications industry may serve the desires of the corporations, but it does not serve the needs of the American people. The FCC and the American government MUST engage in the necessary role to sufficiently restrain corporations when the freedoms and needs of the American population are at stake.

This is directed to Michael K. Powell, and the Republican dominated FCC – Why won't you let the American people have a say in this important issue?!

If the de-regulation will actually be beneficial to the American people as you may try to propose, then why are you pushing do you keep this issue out of the public eye? Why are you not following the recommendations of the democrats who sit of the FCC board who wanted to bring this information to the public?

My only conclusion is that you are concerned that the American public would NOT agree with the Republican PRO-CORPORATE side and would demand that the FCC to perform the necessary function of sufficiently regulating the Media corporations in order to best serve the needs of the American people.

So why not bring this issue before the American public?

Michael K. Powell, are Republican FCC members, are you saying that the opinion of the American people is irrelevant? Do only the mega-corporations really matter? I hope you do not secretly answer "YES" to these questions!